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PLAGUE IN NEW ORLEANS.

On July 3 the Secretary of the Treasury directed the Public Health Service to take charge of the eradication of plague in New Orleans in the following telegram to Surg. Gen. Blue:

JULY 3, 1914.

Surg. Gen. BLUE,
New Orleans, La.;

You are authorized and directed to assume control and direction of the campaign against bubonic plague, as requested by State and city authorities in telegram 2d instant.

W. G. McADOO,
Secretary of the Treasury.

On July 4 Surg. Gen. Blue, who had gone to New Orleans to organize the work of eradication, announced that the diagnosis of plague had been confirmed and that the cases to date were as follows:

C. L., Swede, age 49, taken sick 19th at 713 St. Joseph Street, died at Charity Hospital. R. W., American, age 50, taken sick 25th at 713 St. Joseph Street, now at Charity Hospital. J. J., negro, age 8, taken sick 28th at 2831 First Street, died there July 1.

Surg. Gen. Blue has with him four medical officers of the Public Health Service who have had wide experience in plague eradication work, 12 expert inspectors experienced in rodent destruction, and 6 experienced fumigators.

As the chief danger of the spread of the disease from the city is through the migration of infected rodents, effective precautions to prevent the escape of rodents from the city have been put into operation, and all necessary quarantine measures, both land and maritime, will be taken at New Orleans by the Federal Public Health Service.

BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS.

ESTABLISHMENTS LICENSED FOR THE PROPAGATION AND SALE OF VIRUSES, SERUMS, TOXINS, AND ANALOGOUS PRODUCTS.

The following table contains a list of the establishments holding, on June 30, 1914, licenses issued by the Treasury Department in accordance with the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, entitled